

REMARKS

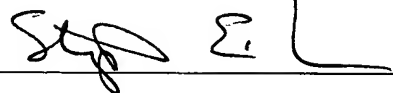
By the present communication, the set of claims provided for prosecution has been streamlined by amendment of claims 2, 4, 5, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 23, 32-34, 38, 39, 41, 43, 44 and 53-55, and cancellation of claims 3, 6-13, 24-31, 35, 42, 45-52 and 56 without prejudice. No new matter is introduced by the subject amendments as all claim language is fully supported by the specification and original claims.

Accordingly, upon entry of the amendments submitted herewith, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 14-23, 32-34, 36-41, 43, 44 and 53-55 remain pending. The present status of all claims in the application is provided in the Listing of Claims, beginning on page 2 of this communication.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, prompt and favorable action on all claims is respectfully requested. In the event any matters remain to be resolved in view of this communication, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

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